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DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.131

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

DECLARATION

We, Chang-June Yoon and Patrick R. Walsh, declare that:

- 1) We are the inventors who, on October 23, 2003, filed the above-identified patent application.
  
- 2) We conceived the invention as described in the above-identified patent application, including each and every feature recited in the claims of the above-identified patent application, within the United States prior to July 25, 2003, the earliest priority date of U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2005/0243765 (Schrader et al.). This is evidenced by disclosure materials that were

created on or about the time of September 5, 2002 to October 1, 2002 and describe the invention, copies of which are attached hereto as Exhibit A.

3) We showed diligence in the completion of the invention within the United States from a time prior to the date of the Schrader et al. publication up to the date of filing the above-identified patent application by performance of the following acts.

- a) Creating an invention disclosure, including disclosure materials describing the invention, for submission to the Assignee, and submitting the invention disclosure to the Assignee on or about May 12, 2003. Copies of the disclosure materials are attached hereto as Exhibit B.
- b) The submitted disclosure was evaluated by the Assignee, and outside patent counsel was instructed to conduct a patentability search on or about May 30, 2003.
- c) The patentability search results were received on or about July 1, 2003.
- d) A final decision to file a patent application in view of the search results was rendered by the Assignee on or about July 17, 2003, and outside patent counsel prepared and subsequently filed the application on October 23, 2003.

I declare further that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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